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TAGS : ETRD, SENV, FR, US

SUBJECT : COMPLIANCE WITH US AUTO EMISSION STANDARDS -- EPA  
INSPECTION IN FRANCE

REF: STATE 234056

1. RE PROPOSED RESCHEDULING OF EPA INSPECTION (REFTEL),  
EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NOTE FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY OF  
WHICH OPERATIVE SECTION READS AS FOLLOWS IN TRANSLATION :  
"THE CONSTRUCTORS CONCERNED ARE PREPARED TO RECEIVE THIS  
VISIT AND, SINCE THEY HAVE NOT YET BEEN INFORMED OF THE  
EPA POSITION ON THE ROLE WHICH THE \*UTOMOBILE AND CYCLE  
TECHNICAL UNION -- UTAC -- COULD PLAY IN THE CONTROL  
AND CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE, THEY HOPE THAT THIS VISIT  
WILL MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO THROW LIGHT ON THE QUESTION.  
TO THAT END, UTAC REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE PRESENT ON  
THE OCCASION OF THE VISIT OF EPA REPRESENTATIVES. THEY  
WILL BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSIONS ON THE  
POSSIBLE ROLE OF UTAC. THE MINISTRY WOULD BE GRATEFUL  
IF THE EMBASSY COULD INDICATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE  
PRECISE DATE SUGGESTED BY EPA FOR THE VISIT BY ITS  
REPRESENTATIVES."

2. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH STUYK-TAILLENDIER OF FOREIGN  
MINISTRY SUBSEQUENT TO OUR TRANSMITTAL OF REFTEL INFO,  
HE REITERATED THAT CONSTRUCTORS REMAIN FIRM IN DESIRE  
FOR SOME KIND OF ROLE FOR UTAC. HOWEVER, FOREIGN  
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MINISTRY NOW APPEARS MORE ANXIOUS THAN HERETOFORE NOT

TO BE CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE AND STUYK-TAILLENDIER PLACED SPECIAL STRESS ON FACT THAT GOF HAD NO VESTED INTEREST IN ADVANCING UTAC CAUSE AND QUESTION OF UTAC INVOLVEMENT WAS FOR EPA, CONSTRUCTORS AND UTAC TO RESOLVE AMONGST THEMSELVES.

3. COMMENT : DECLINE IN EUROPEAN EXPORT MARKETS FOR FRENCH AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY BECUASE OF FUEL SHORTAGE AND RELATED INTEREST IN CAPITALIZING ON US DEMAND FOR FUEL-SAVING COMPACTS ARE LIKELY TO RESTRAIN FRENCH INTRANSIGENCE IN WORKING OUT SATISFACTORY MODUS VIVENDI WITH EPA.

4. ACTION REQUESTED : PLEASE ADVISE DATE OF EPA VISIT SO THAT WE MAY INFORM FOREIGN MINISTRY AS REQUESTED. IN THIS CONNECTION, EPA SHOULD BE ALERTED THAT EMBASSY'S TRANSPORTATION OFFICER WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST EPA REPS IF NECESSARY DURING WEEK OF JANUARY 21 BECUASE OF SCHEDULING OF US-FRANCE CIVIL AIR NEGOTIATIONS THAT PERIOD. STONE

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